

Education Advisory Committee Meeting

November 19, 2019

APPROVED

Fr. John Lantsberger, Mr. Michel, Mrs. Kallhoff, Sandy Bauer, Adam Heinitz, Danny Geraets, Tami Schwebach and Jacque Brown were present.

Meeting was called to order at 4:04 pm with Father John leading us in prayer.

Previous meetings minutes were reviewed.

Adam motioned and Danny seconded to approve previous meeting minutes. All voting aye, motion passed.

Administrative Report

Assemblies/Events

- Thank you to Mr. Kruger and the student council for organizing events for Red Ribbon Week. Between Cardinal Families and NHS events, it was a great week to build community and show the importance of being drug free.
- Thank you to the NHS students for providing an Appreciation breakfast for the staff. The staff was grateful for their generosity.
- Thank you to our School Events committee for planning our Veteran's Day program. 4th – 6th graders performed from the book "Americans" and did a fantastic job!
- Staff In-Service was used to review drill procedures/points. Each teacher now has one sheet in their classroom designed to be the go-to resource for threats to student safety.
- Contacted Catholic Family Services to see if they have resources for suicide prevention after what has happened in nearby towns. Working with them but have not heard back yet.

School Improvements

- SFO will be cleaning the bleachers this Saturday.

Football Field & Associated Finances

- Worked with SDHSAA to allow us to expense field rental for our playoff games on 10/24 and 10/31. This will most likely change in the future to where if we have to move playoff games, we will be responsible for the entire bill.
- Booster Club has discussed putting breakfast funds towards Football Crow's Nest rebuild/replacement.
- Crow's Nest replacement combined with flooding has led to exploration of permanently moving game field to current practice field south of the river.
- Casey and Andy are working to design potential layout and secure bids for development. Most cost-prohibitive items would be fencing, lighting, and crow's nest. Other items like dirt work could be tackled at a later date if move is made.
 - Important to note that this would not be fundraised through normal channels. If the decision is made to go this way, funding would come from Booster Club and potential field development

grants/sponsorships only. We do not want this to conflict with/supersede any current/future building projects.

Athletics/Activities

- Fall activities banquet will take place tonight (11/19) at 6:00 pm. Students from football, volleyball, competitive cheer, cross country, and oral interp will be recognized for their accomplishments this fall season. This will be followed by a winter activities parent meeting.
- Oral Interp Region Meet was held today (11/19) with state meet for those who advance on December 6th/7th.
- Wrestling practices are underway. First meet will be December 7th.
- JH basketball practices are starting this week. First game will be December 13th.
- Varsity basketball practices will begin on December 2nd with first game scheduled for December 13th.
- Christmas concerts will be held December 6th (K-6) and December 9th (7-12).

UPCOMING EVENTS: Please visit http://www.drstmary.org/Calendars/calendar/Monthly_Calendars.html

Committee Reports

Marketing/Retention

- Space is reserved in local papers for Catholic Schools Week advertising. CSW is January 27, 2020 – January 31, 2020.

Finance

- Things are in good order.
- Looking at snow removal options.
- Letter of Financial Accountability was received from the Bishop.

Policy/Curriculum

- Updating Non-Renewal Policy, 1st reading.

Facilities

- Nothing to report at this time.

Old Business

- No old business

New Business

- Activity Deposit Fee – A \$50 check will be received by all parents whose children are participating in the sport of a particular season, right now basketball. This \$50 check is a deposit on cleaning the gym and will be held. Check will be returned to families who clean the gym. If you do not clean the gym, the check will be cashed at the end of the season.

- Senior Citizen Activity Pass – The question has been brought up about why we do not charge visiting team’s senior citizens an entry fee to events/games. Other schools charge visiting senior citizens. We do not want to charge our own senior citizens, so idea of a “senior pass” is being looked into.
- Missing Work Policy – New policy for students. If a student is missing 5 assignments, you will not be able to practice that night or following morning until cleared. You will instead work on homework during practice times.

Next meeting will be December 10, 2019 at 4:00 pm.

Father John led us in a closing prayer.

Tami motioned and Adam seconded to adjourn meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 5:14 pm.

Executive session was held.